



Knights of Columbus

In Service to One. In Service to All.

Night at the Races

Saturday, November 3

Doors Open @ 6 pm



Come out for a night of fun, food & excitement

Contact Charlie Fenstermaker @ 610 530-7282 or cfensty@ptd.net for more information

2012-13 Officers

Grand Knight	Charles Fenstermaker
Chaplain	Father Kevin
Deputy GK	John Geosits
Financial Secretary	Dave Shellhamer
Chancellor	Dave Thomas
Advocate	Bob Partel
Treasurer	Jeff Shuey
Recorder	Nate Menendez
Warden	John Hayward
Inside Guard	Jack Wenner
Outside Guard	Sean Fitzpatrick
Trustee	Dan Zeroka
Trustee	Jim Mueller
Trustee	Jim Dilg
District Deputy	Robert Gowell
Field Agent (A-L)	Dennis Matthews
Field Agent (M-Z)	Dennis Tobash

Important Dates:

Sep 11:	Regular Business Meeting
Sep 16:	Monthly Parish Breakfast
Sep 18:	Assembly Meeting @ Cathedral
Sep 25:	Officer Meeting
Sep 26:	1st & 2nd Degree STJW
Sep 30:	District Soccer Challenge
Oct 9:	Council Night
Oct 16:	Cathedral Assembly Meeting
Oct 21:	Monthly Parish Breakfast
Oct 30:	Officer Meeting
Oct 31:	1st & 2nd Degree STJW
Nov 3:	Night at the Races
Nov 13:	Regular Business Meeting
Nov 17:	Men's Conference @ DeSales U
Nov 18:	Monthly Parish Breakfast
Nov 20:	Cathedral Assembly Meeting
Nov 24:	Outdoor Nativity Set Up
Nov 27:	Officer Meeting
Nov 28:	1st & 2nd Degree STJW

We Did It Again (Again)!



The Star Council Award recognizes outstanding achievement in membership, insurance and service program activities.

Pennsylvania State Council Scholarship Program (Knights with HS seniors):

For rules and forms, please go to <http://pakofc.us/forms.htm>. As long as the council sells 50 COAL books (we will) and the Knight is in good standing (dues paid up), his child is eligible to compete for a \$3K Scholarship (see rules for additional conditions)

DUTIES OF KNIGHTS AS FAITHFUL CITIZENS

- To become active and informed participants in the political life of your local community.
- To register to vote and encourage others to register to vote.
- To initiate and participate in robust “get out the vote” efforts to bring voters to the polls in all primary, general, and special elections.

YOUR ROLE

- Knights are first and foremost Catholic citizens who are members of their communities and constituents of their elected officials.
- As a citizen, your most effective petition to an elected official is as an individual voter.
- As a Knight, you must exemplify your patriotic duty through the practice of charity and unity.

Council Night – Oct 9 @ 6 PM

- Potluck Dinner & Social
- Installation of Officers
- Awarding of Knight & Family of the Year

Families Welcome & Encouraged to Attend

Men of St. Joseph’s

Save this date:

Saturday, November 17, 2012

What: Diocesan Catholic Men’s Conference

Where: De Sales University

Why you should come?

- Strengthen your faith
- Build a stronger marriage
- Be a positive witness to your children or grandchildren
- To make a difference in you life

Dynamic and inspiring day you do not want to miss it!

“Be the Man God created you to be.”

Browse our website online at

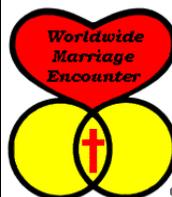
www.cmfd.org



Rose for Motherhood

**1st & 3rd Sunday after 11:30 Mass
Please Contact Paul Davis**

Turn a good marriage into a great marriage through a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!



The next weekend is Nov 2-4 at Fatima Renewal Center, Dalton (Scranton). For weekend information call 1-800-787-7679 or 610-395-8254 or go online at www.wwme-nepa.org.

Life - Imagine the Possibilities...

Planned Charitable Giving 2012-13

- Vocations: \$4000
- Chapel: \$2000
- ARC: \$2000
- School/Prep Scholarships: \$1200
- Holiday Food Gifts - \$1000
- International Missionary: \$1000
- Mercy Learning Center: \$1000
- Emergency Fund: \$1000
- Haiti Relief: \$1000
- Parish Activities: \$1000
- Crisis Pregnancy: \$500
- Mary’s Shelter: \$500
- Habitat for Humanity: \$500
- Military Advocacy: \$500

Turkey Raffles Tickets -

Coming in September

Don’t forget to gobble them up –

they go fast! PAGE 2

Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights,

It is with humble pride and great enthusiasm that I serve as your Grand Knight for this fraternal year. I am enthused because I have a great team of officers that will help me make sure we achieve our goals and objectives for the year.

I would like to set two important goals for our council this year -- membership growth and member involvement. Both of these goals will require a lot of work but will assure that our council will continue its charitable mission.

Recruiting new members is essential to the continued growth and success of our council. Offering a man membership in the Knights of Columbus gives him the opportunity to improve his own life and his community. Membership allows him to experience the fraternal bond that Knights share while growing closer to his family and faith. To that end, I look forward to working with the Membership Committee towards launching new recruitment strategies that will sustain our growth.

One of the guiding principles of our organization is charity. In his address to attendees of the 130th Supreme Convention, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson reported that, over the past decade, Knights donated more than 633 million hours of time towards charity. That boils down to a little more than 3 hours per member per month.

Obviously, our Council is like most nonprofit service organizations where the majority of volunteer hours are donated by a small percentage of the membership. With the many activities we have on our program plan for this coming year, your involvement will be a crucial factor towards ensuring that we successfully complete these activities. So I am asking each Brother Knight to get involved -- 1 hour a month will go a long way towards meeting our manpower needs.

We have a number of activities planned for this year. Our fundraising efforts are crucial to support the various charitable programs in the plan. The monthly breakfast, Night at the Races, Ham and Turkey raffles are just a few of the fundraising efforts we will conduct this year. Again, your participation with any or all of these activities is the key to success.

We've heard from many members that they aren't kept informed about the Council's activities. We will strive this year to enhance our communication to you so that you are fully informed. If you have changed your address, phone number, or email address please let me know so that I can update our records.

One of the best ways to learn about the council's activities and to have a say in the direction we are going is to attend our monthly council meeting. I promise to keep the meetings informative and productive.

Finally, if you have any suggestions for new programs or changes to existing programs, I want to hear from you. Feel free to contact me at cfensty@ptd.net or 610-574-0304.

Vivat Jesus
Charlie Fenstermaker

The Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary

Father Bernard J. Ezaki

The word "rosary" means a garden of roses. In the rosary, every Our Father, every Hail Mary and every Glory Be form a spiritual bouquet that we present to the Blessed Mother.

Some people, even Catholics, feel uncomfortable praying the rosary. They think that doing so violates Jesus' prohibition against repetitive prayer (Matthew 6:7). But this is a mistake. When we repeat prayers in the rosary, we are not trying to gain God's attention by piling words upon words. What we are actually doing is involving our bodies in prayer so that our minds are free to meditate on the various mysteries of the rosary.

Think of it this way: Suppose you wanted to have an intimate conversation with a friend, and that your little brother kept barging into the room, interrupting your talk. If you gave your little brother something to do (e.g. a coloring book with crayons), he would be so occupied so as to stop bothering you. That is what the rosary does. The saying of the prayers, the fingering of the beads, the movement of our lips occupy the body so as to free the mind for meditation and intimate conversation with God. Thus it is not necessary to "think" about each Our Father and each Hail Mary. The important thing is to meditate on the holy mysteries.

What is even more important is that the devil hates the rosary. Padre Pio says that the rosary is a great weapon against evil. Not only that, the rosary is a wonderful prayer to say in times of spiritual darkness, when we don't know how we ought to pray. The times of darkness will come. It's nice to have the rosary to hold onto.

Learn how to say the rosary now. You never know when it will come in handy.



Field Agents' Message

Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, long-term care insurance has provided the Knights of Columbus with an excellent opportunity to further serve members and their families. And, for our long-term care clients in the United States, a Knights of Columbus Care policy brings added value.

That added value is in the form of a service called "Provider Pathway," a program offering access to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network includes discounts on products, such as hearing aids, diabetic supplies, personal emergency response systems, and durable medical equipment, as well as skilled nursing facilities, assisted living, and adult day care.

Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus long-term care insurance policyholders, their spouses, dependent children, parents and parents-in-law. All providers are fully credentialed and meet state licensing requirements.

If you haven't yet spoken with us about long-term care insurance, you owe it to yourself to do so. There are a few decisions to make in choosing a "plan" — a home health care plan or one that covers facility only, benefit amounts and durations, and the length of the "waiting period" before benefits kick-in. Having a professionally trained agent — and a brother Knight you can trust — to help guide you through the process is yet another valuable benefit that comes with your membership. Take advantage of it and give us a call today!

Fraternally,

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